

Acceleration of Cometary H_2O Group Pickup Ions by Obliquely Propagating Nonlinear Magnetosonic Waves

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The observations made during the encounter with comet **Giacobini-Zinner** show that the character of **MHD** turbulence is governed by the **magnetosonic (MS)** waves generated by the pickup ions via a resonant cyclotron instability. Close to the bow shock these waves are highly nonlinear, $|\Delta B/B_0| \sim 1$, and are propagating obliquely to the magnetic field. The interaction of cometary ions in the mass loaded solar wind with **MS** waves propagating away from the comet and oblique to the interplanetary magnetic field (**IMF**) is investigated using the test particle approach. Ion trajectories, distribution functions, widths of pitch angle scattering and energy diffusion are obtained. Because of the **MS** "turbulence", the particle velocity and acceleration are found to increase with increasing wave amplitude, inclination of the wave vector to the background magnetic field, and the range of resonant mode numbers. It is found that the interaction of water group pickup ions with **MS** waves propagating obliquely to the **IMF** gives larger pitch angle scattering and acceleration than that in the case of parallel and antiparallel propagating waves. In particular, obliquely propagating **MS** waves at angles greater than 40° to the ambient magnetic field are very effective at accelerating particles because of a high phase velocity along the magnetic field. In the case of monochromatic **MS** waves, Landau damping is found to play an important role; the particles get **electromagnetically** trapped in a potential well due to Landau damping. In the case of **MS** turbulence, the particles are **stochastically heated** and the temperature continues to grow linearly with time. We have also investigated the relationship between pitch angle scattering and the three parameters, namely, α , the angle between the solar wind flow direction and the ambient magnetic field, θ_{Bk} , the angle between the ambient magnetic field and the wave propagation vector, and the ion injection velocity. The pitch angle scattering rates are obtained using a monochromatic nonlinear **MS** wave as well as **MS** turbulence in both the quasi-parallel ($0^\circ < \alpha < 60^\circ$) and quasi-perpendicular ($60^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$) regimes for various values of θ_{Bk} . In the case of a monochromatic **MS** wave, pitch angle scattering rates are found to change very slightly with respect to θ_{Bk} , α and the mode number of the **MS** wave due to their Landau damping. In the case of **MHD** turbulence the pitch angle scattering rates decrease with increasing α for $\theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$ and increase with increasing α for $\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$. They are found to be independent of the injection velocity. The results are in agreement with the observations.

1. INTRODUCTION

The free energy available with the ring and beam distributions of cometary ions picked up by the solar wind can excite instability over a wide spectral range. We discuss here the excitation of turbulence by low frequency **MHD** waves only. The fast magnetosonic mode is the fastest growing mode among the different growing modes that can be destabilized by the ring beam distribution of the pickup ions [Wu and Davidson, 1972; Thorne and Tsurutani, 1987; Brinca, 1991] and has been observed at comets **Giacobini-Zinner** [Smith et al., 1986; Tsurutani and Smith, 1986a, b] and Halley [Riedler et al., 1986; Neubauer et al., 1986; Johnstone et al., 1987; Neugebauer et al., 1987, 1989, 1990; Coates et al., 1989, 1990]. This mode has a resonant instability at the cyclotron frequency of the pickup water group ions. In both comets the high spectral power densities observed in these waves [Tsurutani and Smith, 1986a; Glassmier et al., 1987] are approximately two orders of magnitude higher than the power density in the average solar wind,

Large-amplitude whistler mode wave packets were observed near comet G-Z [Smith et al., 1986, Tsurutani and Smith, 1986a,

b]. These whistler wave packets were detected at the leading edge of steepened *MS* waves [Tsurutani et al., 1987]. It is noted that steepened magnetosonic (*MS*) waves are comprised of circular polarized wave fronts and linearly polarized trailing wave portions. There are also (sometimes) whistler packets leading the *MS* waves. The spectrum for the cometary waves has a power law which varies from -1.6 to -2.5,

The comet Halley waves have lower amplitudes and are more turbulent. Neugebauer et al. [1989] showed that, in the foreshock region, pitch angle scattering was much more rapid than energy diffusion for all values of α . Coates et al. [1989] showed that pitch angle scattering of cometary ions increased with reduced cometocentric distance and this diffusion rate was much greater than the energy diffusion rate. Neugebauer et al. [1990] further concluded that (1) the mean width of the proton pitch angle distribution remained relatively low and was nearly independent of cometocentric distance almost right up to the bow shock and (2) the mean width of the water group ion pitch angle distributions increased both with increasing ion density and with increasing α . The interplanetary magnetic field (*IMF*) is usually at the Parker's spiral angle relative to the solar wind ($\alpha = 45^\circ$ at 1 AU), but it can exist from the quasi-parallel ($0 < \alpha < 55^\circ$) to quasi-perpendicular regime ($55^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$). The right-hand resonant instability has positive growth for $\alpha = 0$ to 70° [Thorne and Tsurutani, 1987; Brinca, 1991]. For angles closer to 90° , the dominant instability should be the left hand resonant mode or mirror mode [Brinca, 1991; Gary, 1992]. The left hand mode was searched for under the proper conditions but was not found [Tsurutani et al., 1989].

Various possibilities for the heating and acceleration of plasma around comets have been proposed and discussed [Ip and Axford, 1986, 1990; Tsurutani et al., 1987; Sharma et al., 1988; Yoon and Wu, 1991, and references therein; Galeev et al., 1991, and references therein]. In general four types of acceleration mechanisms have been considered: (1) second-order Fermi acceleration, (2) acceleration by diffusive shocks, namely, the first-order Fermi acceleration, (3) acceleration by magnetosonic waves, and (4) acceleration by electrostatic hybrid waves [Buti and Lakhina, 1987; Sharma and Papadopoulos, 1990]. A series of test particle calculations for the study of second order Fermi acceleration were performed [Price and Wu, 1987; Luhmann et al., 1988; Cravens, 1986, 1989; Terasawa, 1989; Kaya et al., 1989]. In this paper we have concentrated on the possibility of acceleration of pickup ions by interaction with fast nonlinear *MS* waves. In our model, the waves propagate toward the Sun obliquely to the *IMF*. We also examine particle acceleration by interaction with MHD "turbulence" which has a power spectral shape. Both studies use the test particle approach. We have also investigated the relationship between the rate of pitch angle scattering induced by wave-particle interactions via cyclotron resonance and the three parameters, namely, θ_{Bk} , the angle between the ambient magnetic field and the wave propagation vector, α , the angle the solar wind flow direction makes with the ambient magnetic field and the injection velocity v_{0b} .

The paper is organized as follows: in section 2 we discuss the model and the basic ideas. Certain physical quantities useful for comparison with observations are defined in section 3. In section 4 we present the results of the simulation and show that efficient

acceleration is achieved by particles in the presence of **magnetosonic** turbulence. We also show the results giving the relationship between the pitch angle scattering and the three parameters, $\theta_{Bk \cdot \alpha}$, and v_{0b} . In section 5, we discuss the Landau/cyclotron damping of the oblique **MS** waves and the electromagnetic trapping of particles. A summary of results of the study is given in section 6.

2. FORMULATION OF THE PROBLEM

Wave-particle interacts by parallel and **antiparallel** propagating **MHD** waves have been extensively studied and recently reviewed by Yoon and Wu [1991] and **Galeev** et al. [1991]. We investigate here, using the test particle method, the interaction of obliquely propagating nonlinear **MS** waves with the cometary pickup ions. The interaction occurs where these waves satisfy the cyclotron resonance condition,

$$\omega = \bar{k} \cdot \bar{v} + \Omega_i \quad (1)$$

Here ω is the frequency of the **magnetosonic** wave, \bar{k} is the wave propagation vector, \bar{v} the velocity vector of the resonant ion, and Ω_i the ion Larmor frequency of water group ion. The dispersion relation of the fast magnetosonic waves is given by [**Galeev** et al., 1991; **Kotelnikov** et al., 1991]

$$\omega = \pm k V_A \left(1 + f(\beta) k_{\perp}^2 / k^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad (2)$$

where

$$k^2 = k_{\parallel}^2 + k_{\perp}^2$$

and for **Maxwellian** solar wind protons

$$f(\beta) = \frac{-1}{2} \frac{\beta \sqrt{\pi}}{s} \exp(-s^2) \phi(s) \quad (3)$$

where

$$s = \omega / \left(\sqrt{2} k_{\parallel} T_p / M_p \right) \cong \frac{1}{\beta}$$

$$\phi(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x \exp(-t^2) dt.$$

is the error function, T_p and M_p are the temperature and mass of solar wind protons and $\beta = 8 \pi n_p T_p / B_0^2$ (the plasma beta), and n_p is the number density of solar wind protons, and V_A is the **Alfvén** speed.

It is noted from the observations that steepened **MS** waves are comprised of circular polarized wave fronta and linearly polarized trailing wave portions. There are also (sometimes) whistler packets leading the **MS** waves. From spectral analysis a variation of γ from -1.6 to -2.5 has been found. Thus we have attempted to simulate wave-particle interactions with these three "wave types" using test particle approach by following the motion of cometary ions in a given field for the **three** cases: (1) monochromatic, linearly **polarized** sinusoidal **MS** waves, (2) circularly polarized

monochromatic *MS* waves, and (3) right-hand circularly polarized magnetosonic waves having a power spectrum which varies as k^{-2} . However, it may be mentioned that strictly speaking for small amplitude waves the assumption of circular polarization is not valid for obliquely propagating *MS* waves (however for large amplitude nonlinear waves of comet Giacobini-Zinner, circularly polarized obliquely propagating *MS* waves, have been claimed by Tsurutani *et al.* [1987]).

We consider the configuration of the simulation system as shown in Figure 1a. The background interplanetary magnetic field is represented by

$$\bar{B}_0 = i B_0 \cos \theta_{Bk} + j B_0 \sin \theta_{Bk} \quad (4)$$

where θ_{Bk} is the angle the magnetic field makes with the wave vector and i and j are the unit vectors along x and y axes.

2.1. Linearly Polarized *MS* Waves

We have investigated the interaction of water group ions with the nonlinear monochromatic linearly polarized *MS* waves which have the form

$$B_x = A \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi_0) \quad (5)$$

The wave propagates in the x direction obliquely to the background magnetic field. Here ω is given by the dispersion relation given in (2). A is the amplitude of the wave and ϕ_0 is the phase of the wave. The wave number $k = k_{res}$ for *MS* waves is evaluated in the subsection 2.4. The phase, ϕ_0 , is chosen randomly.

2.2. Circularly Polarized *MS* Waves

The second type of wave chosen for the study of wave-particle interactions is the right-hand circularly polarized magnetosonic wave having two components:

$$B_y = A \cos(kx - \omega t + \phi_0) \quad (6)$$

$$B_z = A \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi_0) \quad (7)$$

where k , ω , and ϕ_0 take the same values as given in the case of monochromatic linearly polarized sinusoidal *MS* waves.

2.3. Circularly Polarized Magnetosonic k^{-2} Fluctuations

The third type of calculation for wave-particle interaction was made for IUS waves having a power spectrum which varies as k^{-2} via a cyclotron resonance. A turbulent wave-field is generated by superposing circularly polarized magnetosonic waves:

$$\bar{B}_w = \sum_{k_{min}}^{k_{max}} \delta B_k \exp(i(kx - \omega t + \phi_0)) \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Re}(\bar{E}_w) = B_y, \quad \text{Im}(\bar{E}_w) = B_z$$

propagating in the **direction** obliquely to the background magnetic field given by (4). The coefficient δB_k is related to the power spectral density $P(k)$ as

$$[\delta B_k]^2 = P(k) \Delta k \quad (9)$$

where Δk is related to the length L of the simulation **box** as

$$\Delta k = 2\pi / L \quad (10)$$

and the power spectrum $P(k)$ is assumed to vary as k^{-2} . We write

$$k = M \Delta k = M 2\pi / L \quad (11)$$

where M is the mode number of the waves in the system. The wavelength λ of the mode M is given by L/M .

The amplitude of the turbulence is given by

$$[\delta B]^2 = \sum_{k_{\min}}^{k_{\max}} [\delta B_k]^2 \quad (12)$$

Figure 1 *b* shows scattering of particles by obliquely propagating magnetosonic waves. The electric fields due to the wave and bulk motion of the plasma vanish in a frame moving along the magnetic field with velocity $V_{ph}/\cos\theta_{Bk}$, where V_{ph} is phase velocity of the waves. Scattering of particles conserves their energy in this frame. The point of injection is marked by a cross, the region of scattering is shown by the shaded shell. Note that for highly oblique ($\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$) fast mode **MS** waves this velocity along the ambient magnetic field is quite large, and the particles can readily be accelerated.

2.4. Resonant Mode Numbers

The parameters for the **MS** wave and the cyclotron resonance taken are as follows: the frequency of the **MS** wave and the gyration frequency of water group ions are respectively 0.0014 Hz and 0.0425 rad s⁻¹ in agreement with the observations [Tsurutani *et al.*, 1987; Huddleston and Johnstone, 1992]. The **MS** wave is assumed to propagate along the x-axis away from the comet. The background magnetic field makes an angle θ_{Bk} with k . In all the three cases the resonant mode numbers of **MS** waves via a cyclotron resonance are calculated from

$$M_{\text{res}} = k_{\text{res}} / \Delta k = L k_{\text{res}} / 2\pi \quad (13)$$

where the system size is $L = 512 V_A / \Omega_i$ and is represented by 1024 (=2¹⁰) an essential requirement for the fast Fourier transform to calculate the wave magnetic field) grid points. All distances are normalized by V_A / Q . Hence

$$M_{res} = \frac{512 V_A}{2\pi \Omega_I} \frac{(\omega + \Omega_I)}{v_R \cos \theta_{Bk}}$$

$$\approx 109 / (v_R^* \cos \theta_{Bk}), \quad v_R^* = v_R / V_A, \quad \text{for } \frac{\omega}{\Omega_I} = 0.3 \quad (14)$$

Here $v_R \cos \theta_{Bk}$ is the velocity of the resonant pickup ion parallel to the background magnetic field. The range of resonant mode numbers lies between 5 and 51 for v_R varying from $2V_A$ to $22V_A$. The power associated with large mode numbers becomes smaller and smaller as a result of the power law spectrum.

The electric field in the frame of reference moving with the average plasma velocity, neglecting Hall current and grad p_e terms which are of first order, is given by

$$\delta \vec{E} = -\vec{V}_w \times \vec{B} / c \quad (15)$$

where \vec{V}_w is the wave velocity vector and $\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_w$, \vec{B}_0 is the ambient magnetic field and \vec{B}_w is the wave magnetic field of the turbulence generated by MS waves. The electrostatic field δE_x resulting from the kinetic approach using Vlasov equation has not been included in the present study.

The three-dimensional trajectories of the ions are obtained by numerically solving the equations of motion:

$$d\vec{r}/dt = \vec{v}, \quad (16)$$

$$d\vec{v}/dt = \frac{e}{M_i} (\delta \vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} / c) \quad (17)$$

where $\vec{r} = \vec{i}_{x+} \vec{y} + \vec{k}_z$ is the position vector, \vec{v} is the velocity vector and M_i is the mass of cometary water group ion.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1. The Power Spectrum

For the wave-particle interactions, we consider only the turbulence associated with the pickup ions. The power associated with the solar wind is 2 orders of magnitude less intense [Tsurutani and Smith, 1986a, b]. We assume that power spectrum in the cometary environment can be approximated as a function of wave number k [Glassmier et al., 1987]

$$P(k) = A(\delta B)^2 / \left(k_0 \left(1 + (k/k_0)^\gamma \right) \right) \quad (18)$$

where the resonant mode number for newly created pickup ions is given by $k_0 = \Omega_i / V_{sw}$, δB represents the fluctuating magnetic field, γ is the power spectral index, and the constant A is determined by the normalization $[\delta B]^2 = \int P(k) \delta k$. As $k/k_0 \gg 1$, (18) can be approximated by

$$P(k) = B k^{-\gamma} \quad (19)$$

3.2. Resonant Pitch Angle Scattering

We consider pitch angle scattering of pickup ions by resonant interactions with low-frequency magnetic fluctuations generated by solar wind/cometary ion distributions. The free energy available from the pickup process causes growth of instabilities. It is well established that the instability physics changes with α . In the solar wind frame \mathbf{v}_0 is the velocity of the newborn ions and α is the injection angle. This suggests that the pitch angle scattering of newborn ions from these instabilities and the resulting ion velocity distributions should be a function of α . It should be noted, however, that at comet **Giacobini-Zinner** only right hand obliquely propagating *MS* waves were detected. This is the case discussed here.

An important parameter for the comparison of model calculations and observations is the mean pitch angle width in degrees. The pitch angle θ_i of each water group ion is given by

$$\theta_i = \cos^{-1} \left(v_{\parallel i} / (v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)^{1/2} \right) \quad (20)$$

where $\mathbf{v}_i = -v_x \cos \theta_B \mathbf{k} + v_y \sin \theta_B \mathbf{k}$. The background magnetic field makes an angle θ_B with the wave vector. The average of θ_i in the simulation is defined as

$$\langle \theta_i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_i \sin \theta_i / \sum_{i=1}^N \sin \theta_i \quad (21)$$

where N is the number density of cometary ions in the box and summation extends over all the ions. Following **Coates et al. [1989]** and **Neugebauer et al. [1990]**, the average width of the pitch angle distribution can be defined as

$$\langle \Theta \rangle = \frac{\sum_i |\theta_i - \langle \theta_i \rangle| \sin \theta_i}{\sum_i \sin \theta_i} \quad (22)$$

This quantity is found to exhibit nontrivial temporal variations in both the quasi-parallel and quasi-perpendicular regimes and depends on θ_B and the injection angle. For an isotropic distribution, $\langle \Theta \rangle = (n/2-1)$. Following **Gary et al. [1991]** we calculate the following quantity

$$\langle e^*(t) \rangle = \frac{\pi-2}{2} - \langle e(c) \rangle \quad (23)$$

It is instinctive to define a time-averaged pitch angle scattering (TAPAS) frequency ν_θ through the following expression:

$$\langle \Theta^*(t) \rangle = \frac{\pi-2}{2} \exp(-\nu_\theta t) \quad (24a)$$

which on integration yields

$$v_{\theta} / \Omega_i = (\pi/2) \int_0^{\infty} \Theta^*(t^*) dt^* \quad (24b)$$

where $t^* = \Omega_i t$. We have calculated v_{θ} / Ω_i for various values of α and θ_{Bk} performing integration from $t^* = 0$ to 200.

3.3. Root Mean Square Deviation

The average velocity is defined as

$$\langle v \rangle = \sum_i v_i / N \quad (25)$$

and the root mean square deviation is given by

$$\sigma_v = \left\{ \frac{\sum_i (v_i - \langle v \rangle)^2}{N} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (26)$$

The summation is taken over all the water group ions in the system.

3.4. Phase Space

We define the phase space angles of the particles by the relation

$$\zeta = \tan^{-1} \frac{B_y}{B_z} - \tan^{-1} \frac{v_y}{v_z} \quad (27)$$

where B_y , B_z , v_y , and v_z , respectively, denote the wave magnetic field and particle velocity along y and z directions. This angle is the angle by which a particle lags the wave magnetic field. For a gyrotropic distribution the particles would be uniformly distributed. The phase space diagrams are defined as $(\zeta, v_{\parallel B}/V_A)$ plots and are shown in representative cases ($v_{\parallel B}$ is the particle velocity parallel to the ambient magnetic field).

4. RESULTS OF THE SIMULATION

The simulation geometry is shown in Figure 1a. The only spatial dimension is along the x axis but the velocity, magnetic and electric fields are three dimensional vectors. The solar wind flow direction makes an angle ϕ with the propagation direction which lies along the x axis. Thus the solar wind velocity is oblique to the magnetic field as is generally the case [Neubauer et al., 1986; Smith et al., 1986; Tsurutani et al., 1987]. At $t^* = \Omega_i t = 0$, 1000 ions are injected which are uniformly distributed in space and have an injection velocity given by

$$v_{x0} = v_0 \cos \phi, v_{y0} = v_0 \sin \phi \quad (28)$$

where $\phi = \alpha - \theta_{Bk}$.

The θ_{Bk} is varied from 20° to 80° and α is varied from 35° to 85° . The amplitude of the IUS wave was varied from 0.5 to 1.0 and that of the MS turbulence was varied from 0.25 to 0.5 ($|\Delta B/B_0|$ of the order of unity [Tsurutani, 1991c]). We present results for θ_{Bk}

equal to 60° , 40° , and 20° and MS wave amplitude equal to 1.0 for monochromatic MS wave and $|\Delta B/B_0|^2 = 0.5$ for MS turbulence and $\alpha = 45^\circ$ and show the pitch angle scattering and various distributions for each type of waves (Linearly polarized MS waves ($LPMSW$), Circularly polarized MS waves ($CPMSW$), and Circularly polarized magnetosonic k^2 fluctuations (MST)) for an injection velocity equal to $5V_A$ and plasma β equal to unity ($f(\beta) = 2.0$). The phase velocities of MS waves calculated from (2) for $f(\beta) = 2.0$, which corresponds to β equal to one are, respectively, 1.111, 1.351, and 1.58 times the Alfvén velocity for θ_{Bk} equal to 20° , 40° , and 60° . The phase velocities for $f(\beta) = 1.8$, which corresponds to $\beta = 0.9$ are, respectively, $1.204V_A$, $1.434V_A$, $1.574V_A$, and $1.657V_A$ for θ_{Bk} equal to 30° , 50° , 65° , and 80° .

All the Figures 2 to 5 and 8 to 10 labelled *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*, and *e* show, respectively, the ion distribution function ($v_{\parallel B}/V_A$, $v_{\perp B}/V_A$), the phase space diagrams, (ζ , $v_{\parallel B}/V_A$), the width of the energy diffusion (v/V_A , v^2), the width of pitch angle scattering ($\theta^*(t)$), and evolution of ion velocity distribution (σ_v/V_A , $\langle v \rangle/V_A$) or (Ωt , $\langle v \rangle/V_A$). The $v_{\parallel B}$, $v_{\perp B}$ and f are the velocities parallel and perpendicular to the ambient magnetic field and the phase space density of ions. The quantities $\langle v \rangle$ and σ_v denote the average velocity of particles and root mean square deviation, and ζ has been defined by (27). We have obtained results for various angles θ_{Bk} , a and amplitudes. We show results for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$, 40° , 60° , $a = 45^\circ$, and $A = 1.0$ for monochromatic MS wave and $|\Delta B/B_0|^2 = 0.5$ and 0.2S for IUS turbulence.

We have also investigated the relationship between the pitch angle scattering, θ_{Bk} , a , and v_{0b} for the cases of $CPMSW$ and MST . Figures. 6 and 12 show (σ_v/V_A , $\langle v \rangle/V_A$) relation for $CPMSW$ and MHD turbulent spectrum for various θ_{Bk} and $a = 55^\circ$. The pitch angle scattering rates are shown for $CPMSW$ in Figure 7 and for MS turbulence in Figure 11.

Case 1: Linearly polarized MS waves ($LPMSW$). Test particle calculations are performed for resonant mode number, $M_{res} = 18$, $f(\beta) = 2.0$ ($\beta = 1.0$), $a = 45^\circ$ and injection velocity equal to $5V_A$ for various angles θ_{Bk} and wave amplitudes. The results are shown at time $t^* = 200$ for a wave amplitude, $A = 1.0$, and one angle, namely, $\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ$ in Figures 2a, 2b, 2c, and 2d. We have chosen the same values in each case for making comparison in the three cases. From Figures 2a and 2c, it can be seen that efficient acceleration and energy diffusion due to a monochromatic $LPMSW$ propagating unidirectionally away from the comet, can be achieved depending on the angle, θ_{Bk} and the amplitude of the wave of the order of unity. Large-amplitude magnetosonic waves have been observed near comets ($r < 2 \times 10^5$ Tsurutani, [1991]). The pitch angle scattering (PAS) is found to be more efficient than the energy diffusion. The widths of the ion distribution functions in phase space and energy increase with the wave amplitude and increasing θ_{Bk} . The time-averaged pitch angle scattering (TA PAS) frequencies for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$ and 60° are, respectively, $0.66 \Omega_i$ and

$0.61 \Omega_i$. The evolution of the ion velocity distribution functions ($\Omega_i t$, $\langle v \rangle / V_A$) shown in Figure 2d indicates that the average velocity of particles oscillates about $\langle v \rangle = 5.4V_A$, $7.7V_A$, and $9.1V_A$ for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$, 40° and 60° depending on the wave amplitude and the angle between the wave vector and the background magnetic field. The average velocity $\langle v \rangle$ about which particles oscillate naturally increases with the increase in the wave amplitude and increase in θ_{Bk} . The Landau damping plays an important role in the case of CPMSW: the MS waves are damped and the particles get electromagnetically trapped and oscillate in a moving magnetic mirror and further heating of ions, further wave damping does not take place.

Case 2: Right-hand circularly polarized MS waves (CPMSW). Results of the simulation are shown in Figures 3a to 3d, 4, 5a, and 5b for the mode number, $M_{res} = 18$ for an injection velocity equal to $5V_A$ for $\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ$, 40° , 20° , $a = 45^\circ$ for wave amplitude, $A = 1.0$. The evolution of the distribution function ($v_{||B}/V_A$, $v_{\perp B}/V_A$), the phase space diagram (ζ , $V_{||B}/V_A$) and (w/V_A , v_{\perp}^2) at fixed time $t^* = \Omega_i t = 200$ are shown in Figures 3 to 5 labeled a, b, and c respectively. It is evident from all the figures shown that efficient acceleration is achieved even for moderate amplitudes of monochromatic MS waves propagating unidirectionally and obliquely to the ambient magnetic field for $\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$ (say $A=0.5$). PAS is found to be more rapid than energy diffusion for these cases. The PAS and the width of the energy diffusion (v_{\perp}^2) are found to increase with both the wave amplitude and θ_{Bk} . It is seen from the figures labeled d that the width of the pitch angle scattering, $\langle \theta^*(t) \rangle = (\pi - 2)/2 - \langle \theta(t) \rangle$, decreases with time. The evolution of the ion velocity distribution ($\Omega_i t$, $\langle v \rangle / V_A$) is shown in Figure 5b for $\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ$, 40° , 20° , and amplitude equal to 1.0. It can be seen from Figure 5b that particles, after achieving a maximum velocity at a certain time depending on the wave amplitude and the angle between the wave vector and the background magnetic field start decelerating, achieve a minimum velocity and accelerate again. The average velocity of particles oscillates about $\langle v \rangle = 5.08V_A$, $7.3V_A$, and $13.1V_A$ for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$, 40° , and 60° respectively. Particles in the presence of large amplitude waves with high compression get accelerated faster. The Landau damping plays an important role in the case of monochromatic circularly polarized MS waves also: the MS waves get damped and particles are electromagnetically trapped by the waves and oscillate in a moving magnetic mirror and further heating of ions does not take place.

Test particle calculations are also performed to study the relationship between the PAS, θ_{Bk} , α and v_{0b} for resonant mode number, $M_{res} = 18$ for various wave amplitudes for an injection velocity given by (28). The TAPAS frequency, average velocity, rms deviation, and width of PAS are obtained at $t^* = 200$ with $\Delta t^* = 0.05$ for wave amplitude $A = 0.5$ and $\theta_{Bk} = 50^\circ$, 65° , and 80° and $a = 35^\circ$, 55° , and 85° . The evolution of the ion velocity distribution (σ_w/V_A , $\langle v \rangle / V_A$) is shown in Figure 6 for $\theta_{Bk} = 50^\circ$, 65° , and 80° and $a = 55^\circ$ which shows that the average velocity of particles oscillates in a certain range depending on the wave

amplitude and the angle between the wave vector and the background magnetic field. σ_v and $\langle v \rangle$ are the root mean square deviation and the average velocity. This again confirms that the particles get electromagnetically trapped in a potential well due to Cherenkov resonance. The Landau/cyclotron damping of *MS* waves is discussed in section 6, The *TAPAS* frequency is shown against α for various θ_{Bk} in Figure 7. It can be seen from Figure 7 that for $\theta_{Bk} = 30^\circ$ and 50° the *TAPAS* frequency changes slightly as α increases from 35° to 85° , whereas for $\theta_{Bk} = 65^\circ$ and 80° , the *TAPAS* frequency increases as α increases from 35° to 55° and then again decreases at $\alpha = 85^\circ$. This is due to the explicit dependence of *PAS* through (20) and its implicit dependence on the direction of injection of ions, a . It is found that v_0/Ω_i depends on the resonant mode number of the waves, θ_{Bk} and a .

Case 3: Magnetosonic turbulent fluctuations (*MST*). We have studied the interaction of cometary pickup ions with magnetic fluctuations generated by circularly polarized *MS* waves via cyclotron resonance for $\beta = 1.0$ ($\beta = 2.0$) and $a = 45^\circ$. Results are obtained for various angles and wave amplitudes and are shown in Figures 8a to 8d, 9, 10a, and 10b for angles $\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ, 40^\circ$, and 20° at time $t^* = 200$ and level of turbulence, $|\Delta B/B_0|^2$ equal to 0.5 ($IM/B_0 = 0.7$ in agreement with the observations [Tsurutani, 1991a] for a range of mode numbers from 5 to 51. It can be seen from the Figures labelled a and c that the pitch angle scattering is faster than the energy diffusion for these cases. As θ_{Bk} moves from the quasi-parallel ($0^\circ < \theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$) to quasi-perpendicular regime ($40^\circ < \theta_{Bk} < 80^\circ$), particle acceleration increases appreciably due to the increase in the phase velocity of the *MS* waves. The average width of the pitch angle scattering is found to decrease as time increases. *MHD* turbulence enhances pitch angle scattering greatly and is found to be much more than that for *CPMSW* in which case it is reduced by Landau damping. It is found that the Landau damping of *IUS* waves is less effective in the case of *MHD* turbulence due to stochastic effects. The ion velocity distribution function for $\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ, 40^\circ$, and 20° shown in Figure 10b show almost no oscillatory behavior as the particles get highly accelerated due to the interaction with *MHD* turbulence.

PAS width, *TAPAS* frequency and width of energy diffusion (v^2) are also obtained for turbulence levels, $A = (|\Delta B/B_0|)^2 = 0.5$ and 0.25, for various angles $\theta_{Bk} = 30^\circ$ to 80° and $a = 35^\circ, 55^\circ$, and 85° and for mode numbers lying between 5 and 51 at time $t^* = 200$. The results are shown in Figures 11 and 12 for one representative case only. The v_0/Ω_i is shown against a in Figure 11 for $\theta_{Bk} = 30^\circ, 50^\circ, 65^\circ, 80^\circ$, and $A = 0.25$. It is found that pitch angle scattering rate decreases for $\theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$ with increasing a , while it increases with increasing a for $\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$; i.e., the *TAPAS* frequency decreases with a in the quasi-parallel regime ($0^\circ < \theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$), while it increases with a in the quasi-perpendicular regime ($40^\circ < \theta_{Bk} < 80^\circ$). This is because more pitch angle scattering takes place in the quasi-perpendicular regime than in the quasi-parallel regime. The evolution of ion velocity distribution, $(\sigma_v/V_A, \langle v \rangle/V_A)$ for $\theta_{Bk} = 50^\circ, 65^\circ$, and 80° for wave amplitude equal to 0.5 is shown in Figure 12.

Table 1 provides a summary of results, namely, v_d/Ω_i (time-averaged rate of scattering frequency normalized to water group ion cyclotron frequency), minimum and maximum values of $v_{\parallel B}/VA$, $v_{\perp B}/VA$ (velocities parallel and perpendicular to the ambient magnetic field), σ_v/VA , mot mean square deviation, $\langle v \rangle$ (average velocity), and the maximum of the width of energy diffusion ($v^2/2000$), for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$, 4° (Y), and 60° and $a = 45^\circ$ for all the three cases.

5. THE LANDAU DAMPING OF MAGNETOSONIC WAVES

The physical processes underlying Landau and cyclotron damping are quite similar. In each case a beam traveling in the neighborhood of a critical velocity gives to or absorbs energy" from the electromagnetic field, depending on whether the beam drift velocity is slightly greater or smaller than the phase velocity of the wave. The exchange of energy between particles and the wave field causes periodic oscillations in the parallel and perpendicular velocities. Such periodic motions are analogous to the oscillations of charged particles in an electromagnetic potential well. In the comet-solar-wind interaction regions with comets the value of plasma β is of the order of unity or even larger (for Halley it is larger than unity) and the phase velocity of the oblique *MS* waves is comparable with the thermal velocity of protons. According to the quasi-linear theory [Kotelnikov et al., 1991], the oblique *MS* waves produce a plateau on the thermal protons distribution because of Cherenkov resonance. The Cherenkov resonance in a finite β plasma causes strong damping of oblique *MS* waves.

The damping of oblique *MS* waves maybe caused by (1) Landau damping due to Cherenkov resonance as described above, and (2) the cyclotron damping due to wave-particle resonance in the presence of magnetic field. The condition for electromagnetic trapping of particles is given by

$$\omega - k_{\parallel} v_{\parallel} \pm n\Omega_i = 0 \quad (29)$$

where n is an integer. Landau (Cherenkov) resonance occurs for $n=0$ and cyclotron resonance for $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$. The simulation results show that oblique monochromatic *MS* waves propagating at angles $\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$ impart efficient acceleration to particles whereas those propagating at angles $\theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$ show weak wave-particle interactions due to their phase velocity being very close to the Alfvén velocity. The damping of *MS* waves is caused by Cherenkov resonance. The effect of damping at large times is very much suppressed in the case of *sUHD* turbulence. The square of the maximum and minimum magnetic field for the two cases, namely, *CPMSW* and *LPMSW* are, respectively, given by $1 + 2A \sin\theta_{Bk} + A^2$, $1 - 2A \sin\theta_{Bk} + A^2$ and $1 + A^2$, 1 . The trapping is more prominent in the case of *CPMSW* as compared to *LPMSW* because (1) the mirror ratio for the former is larger, and (2) the larger wave magnetic field causes larger pitch angle for the former.

The quasi-linear theory is valid for finite but small-amplitude waves only. The simulation has been performed for large-amplitude waves ($A \sim 0.4$) which show strong wave-particle interactions.

Table 2 shows the Landau damping mechanism (value of n) for different angles of propagation, the magnetic mirror ratio, R ($R = B_{max}/B_{min}$), the probability for the trap ($P = \int \cos \theta d\theta$, from $\theta = 0$ to $\theta = \theta_0$ where θ is the pitch angle and $\theta_0 = \sin^{-1}(B_{min}/B_{max})$), the maximum and minimum of $(\omega - kv_{||})/k$. It can be seen that $(\omega - kv_{||})/k$ goes to zero for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$ to 60° . Thus the particles get electromagnetically trapped in a potential well due to Cherenkov resonance. The Landau damping of MS waves and the electromagnetic trapping of ions can be seen from the Figures 2d, and 5b showing $(\Omega_i t, <v>/VA)$ for LPMSW and CPMS W.

6. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

We have performed the test particle calculations to study wave particle interactions via cyclotron resonance of water group cometary ions with (1) linearly polarized monochromatic MS waves, (2) circularly polarized monochromatic MS waves, and (3) magnetic fluctuations consisting of MS waves with a power spectrum which varies as $1/k^2$. We have made the quantitative comparisons between the results in the three cases for MS waves propagating toward the Sun. Different types of Alfvénic fluctuations are naturally associated with different degrees of isotropization of the ion distributions. Tsurutani et al. [1987, 1989], noted that very far from the comet G-Z (7×10^5 km) waves were predominantly elliptically polarized, long-wavelength MHD waves. At intermediate distances ($\approx 3 \times 10^5$ km), the waves were more compressive. The steepened MS waves had partial (circularly polarized) rotation, linearly polarized portions and were sometimes preceded by high-frequency wave packets. Near the comet ($r < 2 \times 10^5$ km) the fluctuations had large-amplitudes ($|\Delta B/B_0| \approx 1$), were highly compressional, and had a turbulentlike power spectrum. These observations suggest that for $r > 3 \times 10^5$ km, the calculations with monochromatic waves are more appropriate, whereas closer to the comet, calculations with MS turbulence are more appropriate. Cravens [1989] calculations did not include Fermi acceleration because the magnetic fluctuations did not propagate ($VA = 0$). Test particle calculations of Terasawa [1989] were done for parallel and antiparallel propagating Alfvénic fluctuations which had no compressive components. Our calculations of interaction of pickup ions with magnetosonic waves propagating obliquely to the IMF indicate larger pitch angle scattering and acceleration than in the case of parallel and antiparallel propagating Alfvén waves [Terasawa, 1989; Gary et al., 1991]. This is mainly due to the following reasons: (1) the amplitude of the MS waves is much larger and are compressive in this study and (2) the component of the velocity of the wave (scattering center) parallel to the magnetic field for obliquely propagating MS waves is larger than the Alfvén velocity.

The main inclusions of the study are summarized below:

1. It is found that efficient pitch angle scattering and energy diffusion takes place in all the three cases for $\theta_{Bk} > 30^\circ$. The order of magnitude for PAS is found as

$$(PAS)_{LPMSW} < (PAS)_{CPMSW} < (PAS)_{MST}$$

This is physically reasonable because the wave magnetic field follows the same ordering. In addition particle acceleration markedly increases as the **direction** of propagation moves from the quasi-parallel to quasi-perpendicular regime due to the increase in the phase velocity of *MS* waves. *PAS* also increases with **increasing** compression.

2. The particle velocity and acceleration are found to increase with **increasing** θ_{Bk} , the amplitude of IUS waves and the range of resonant mode numbers. It is also found that, in the cases of *LPMSW* and *CPMSW*, particle velocity and acceleration oscillate in a certain range depending upon the wave amplitude and the angle between the wave vector and the background magnetic field (as **can** be seen from the **evolution** of ion distributions shown in Figure 5b. Ions, after **gaining** a maximum in velocity and acceleration start decelerating, reach a minimum in velocity and acceleration, and then accelerate again. This cyclical process continues forever (in the simulation). This feature is due to the **magnetosonic** waves being Landau damped and the particles being trapped by the electromagnetic field of the wave. The Cherenkov/cyclotron resonance mechanism is found to be active. The effect of electromagnetic trap is somewhat reduced for **large**-amplitude waves with large compression. However, the oscillations with lesser amplitude persist due to the effect of damping. The effect of Landau damping of **magnetosonic** waves as found in the **simul**at ions can be ordered as follows:

$$(\text{Landau damping})_{CPMSW} > (\text{Landau damping})_{LPMSW}$$

The trapping is more prominent in the case of *CPMSW* as compared to *LPMSW* because of (1) the larger probability for the trap in the case of the former, and (2) the larger wave magnetic field which **causes** larger pitch angle for the former.

3. In the cases of interactions with *LPMSW* and *CPMSW*, the *H₂O* group ion time averaged pitch angle scattering frequency with respect to α follows a somewhat different pattern from the *MS* turbulence. It changes slightly as α increases from 35° to 85°, whereas for $\theta_{Bk} = 65^\circ$ and 80°, the *TAPAS* frequency increases as α increases from 35° to 55° and then again decreases at $\alpha = 85^\circ$. This is due to the explicit dependence of *PAS* through (20) and its implicit dependence on the direction of injection of ions, α . In the **case** of *MHD* turbulence, they increase **as** α increases, for $\theta_{Bk} > 40^\circ$ whereas they decrease with increasing α for $\theta_{Bk} < 40^\circ$.

4. In the case of a monochromatic *MS* wave, pitch angle scattering rate is found to change very slightly with respect to θ_{Bk} , α and the mode number of the *MS* wave due to their Landau damping. It is found to be independent of the injection velocity also.

5. The width of energy diffusion ($v^2 f$), the average velocity and root mean square deviation, increase as the angle of wave propagation moves from the quasi-parallel to quasi-perpendicular regime. The increase is higher by a factor of approximately 2 for $\theta_{Bk} = 80^\circ$ than for $\theta_{Bk} = 30^\circ$. They also increase as α increases from 35° to 85° in both the cases.

6. It is evident from the study that the angle of injection (solar wind flow direction) and the direction of propagation of waves play an important role in governing the mechanism of **wave-particle** interaction via cyclotron resonance. This is in agreement with the studies of **Brinca** [1991] and Gary et al. [1991] and with the observations [**Neugebauer et al.**, 1990].

7. Table 1 provides information about maximum and minimum in the **respective** physical quantities achieved by particles for $\alpha = 45^\circ$. Velocity and acceleration of a particle parallel and perpendicular to the ambient magnetic field, root mean square deviation and average velocity of particles increase as θ_{Bk} changes from $20''$ to $60''$. Pitch angle scattering width $\langle \Theta(t) \rangle_{\max} \cdot \langle e(t) \rangle_{\min}$ is proportional to v_θ / Ω_i (**TAPAS**). The $v^2 f$ values provide a measure of energy diffusion in arbitrary units.

As suggested by Ye et al. [1993] we also obtained results assuming a wave spectrum varying as $k^{-2.5}$ and found that they were similar to those for an assumption of k^2 spectrum with a difference of only approximately 2 % in all the physical quantities.

Although only unidirectional IUS waves propagating away from the comet have been considered here, it would be worthwhile to investigate wave particle interactions via cyclotron resonance by adding anti-**sunward** propagating IUS waves (assuming that 5-10% of the total wave energy propagates toward the comet). **Coates et al.** [1992] have observed **antisunward** propagating waves at comet Halley. The input from the observations for the **IMF** and randomly distributed particles with probability proportional to gas production rate instead of uniformly distributed in space will have significant effect on the overall wave particle interactions due to magnetosonic turbulence. Research on this challenging topic is in progress.

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TABLE 1. Maximum and Minimum Values of Physical Quantities in the Simulation

	<i>LPMS W</i> <i>M</i> = 18 <i>A</i> = 1.0		<i>CPMS W</i> <i>M</i> = 18 <i>A</i> = 1.0		<i>MIID TURBULENCE</i> <i>M</i> = 5-51, $\Delta = 0.5$	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
$\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ \mathbf{v}_\phi / \Omega_i$		= 0.662	0.41		0.79	
$v_{\parallel B} / V_A$	-6.75	4.11	-6.80	2.72	-12.10	10.0
$v_{\perp B} / V_A$	0.03	5.95	0.055	5.61	0.07	13.9
σ_v / V_A	0.15	1.48	0.063	1.39	0.23	2.14
$\langle v \rangle / V_A$	3.99	5.07	3.66	5.1	4.82	7.24
$v^2 f / 2000$		0.993		1.26		1.444
$\theta_{Bk} = 40^\circ \mathbf{v}_\phi / \Omega_i$		= 0.565	0.41	0.787		
$v_{\parallel B} / V_A$	-10.360	5.10	-10.18	4.32	-22.50	17.54
$v_{\perp B} / V_A$	0.031	8.95	0.215	8.48	0.24	21.55
σ_v / V_A	0.200	2.86	0.16	2.54	0.29	4.34
$\langle v \rangle / V_A$	5.110	6.38	4.85	7.36	5.16	12.27
$v^2 f / 2000$		1.26		2.44		3.03
$\theta_{Bk} = 60^\circ \mathbf{v}_\phi / \Omega_i$		= 0.61	0.43	0.74		
$v_{\parallel B} / V_A$	-16.05	6.34	-17.17	5.20	-31.49	23.67
$v_{\perp B} / V_A$	0.18	12.88	0.05	12.11	0.60	35.16
σ_v / V_A	0.21	4.04	0.28	5.50	0.476	6.43
$\langle v \rangle / V_A$	5.46	9.21	5.24	13.23	5.40	17.62
$v^2 f / 2000$		1.85		2.90		4.84

All values are at $t^* = 200$, $f(\beta) = 2.0$ ($\beta = 1.0$), and $A = 1.0$. This table provides the information regarding the maximum and minimum of velocities parallel and perpendicular to the background magnetic field, root mean square deviation, average velocity and the maximum of the width of energy diffusion ($v^2 f / 2000$) for $\theta_{Bk} = 20^\circ$, 40° , and 60° , and $a = 45^\circ$.

TABLE 2. Landau Damping Mechanism

θ_{Bk}	n	R	P	$(\omega - k_{ } v)/k$	
				Maximum	Minimum
<i>CPMSW</i> : $M = 18, A = 1, \beta = 0.9, \alpha = 45^\circ$					
20°	o	1.76	0.57	0.547	-2.56
40'	0	4.60	0.88	0.087	-2.89
60°	0	13.8	0.96	0.7	-4.2
<i>LPMSW</i> : $M = 18, A = 1, \beta = 0.9, \alpha = 45^\circ$					
20''	o	1.42	0.54	0.007	-2.57
40''	0	1.42	0.54	0.085	-2.37
40''	0	1.42	0.54	0.754	-1.9
<i>CPMSW</i> : $\alpha = 85^\circ, A = 0.4, \beta = 1, M = 18$					
30'	o	1.53	0.76	1.06	-2.90
50°	0	2.04	0.90	1.52	-0.82
65''	0	2.50	0.92	0.83	-0.65

All values are at $t^*=200, f(\beta)=2.0 (\beta=1.0)$.

FIGURE CAPTIONS

Fig. 1a. Schematic diagram of the simulation geometry. The wave propagates along x axis.

Fig. 1b. Scattering of particles by obliquely propagating magnetosonic waves. The electric fields due to the wave and bulk motion of the plasma vanish in a frame moving along the magnetic field with velocity $-V_{ph}/\cos(\theta_{Bk})$, where V_{ph} is phase velocity of the wave. Scattering of particles conserves their energy in this frame. The point of injection is marked by a cross, and the region of scattering is shown by the shaded shell.

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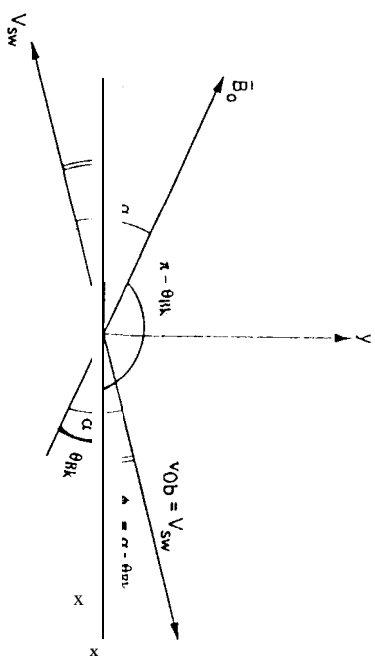
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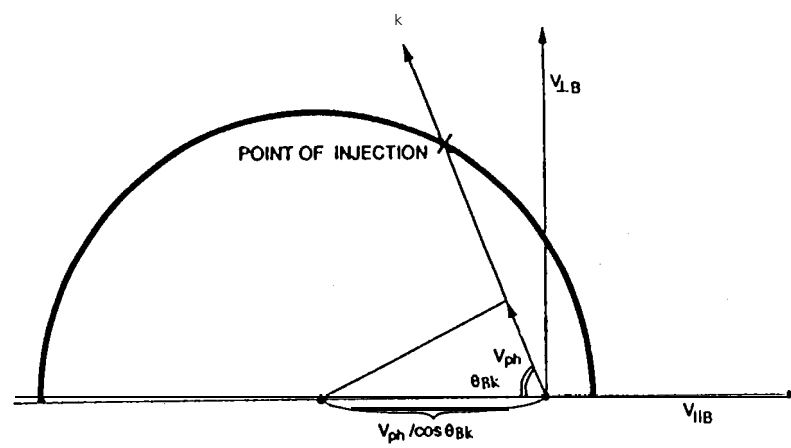


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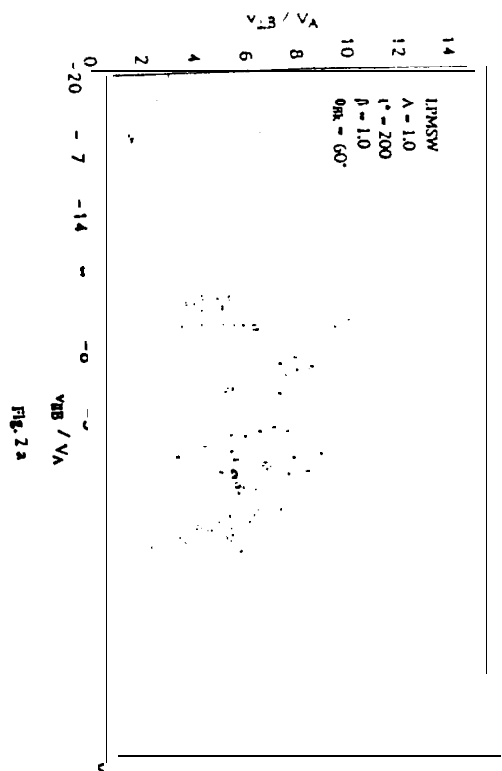


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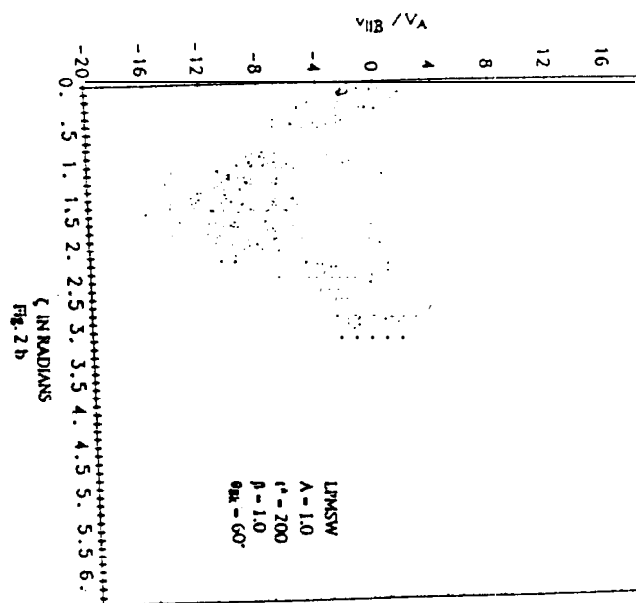


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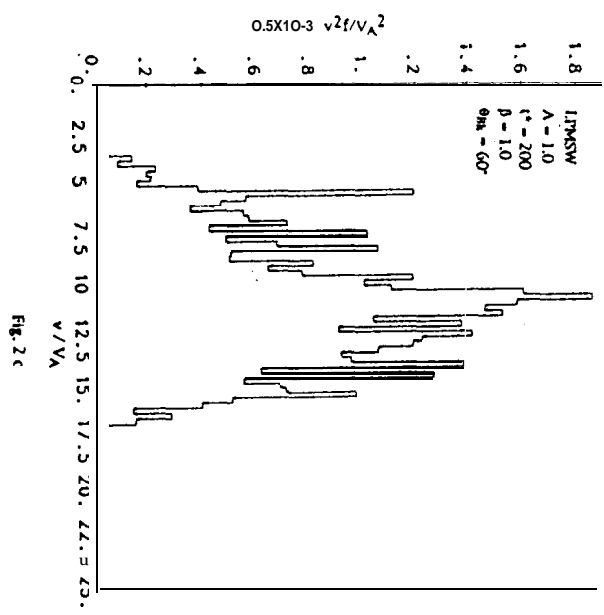
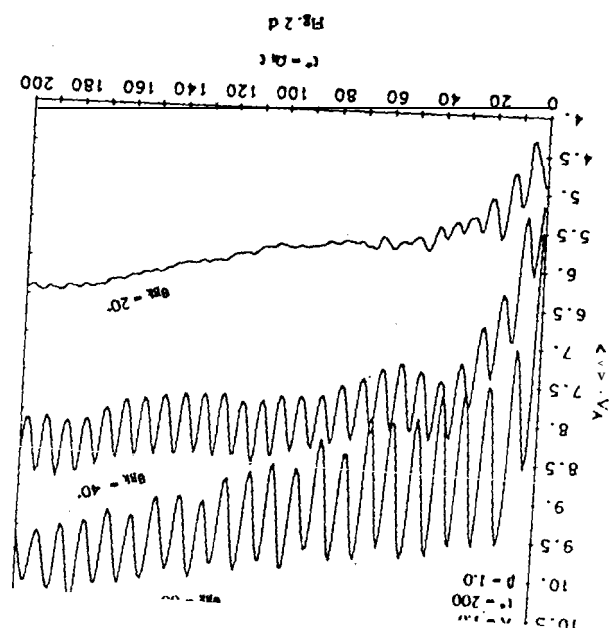
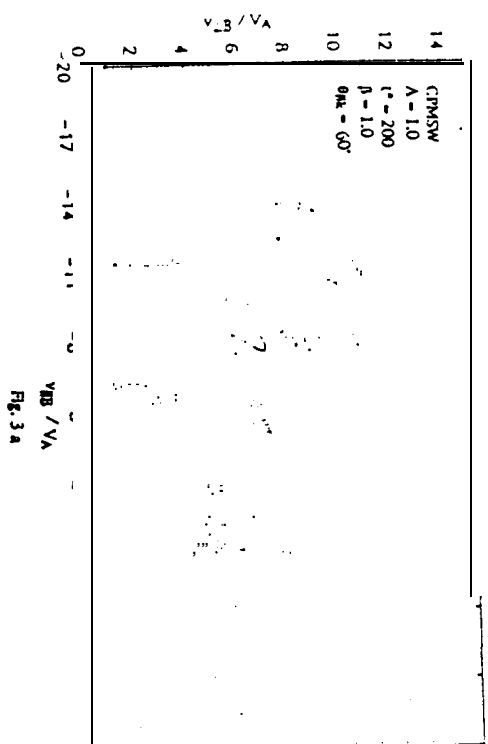


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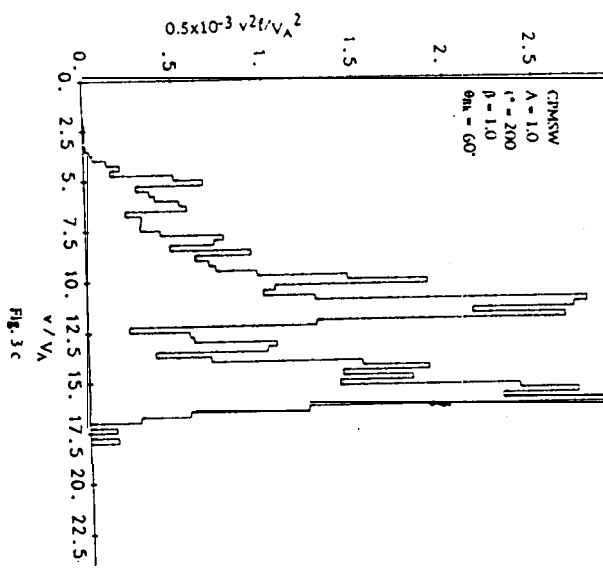
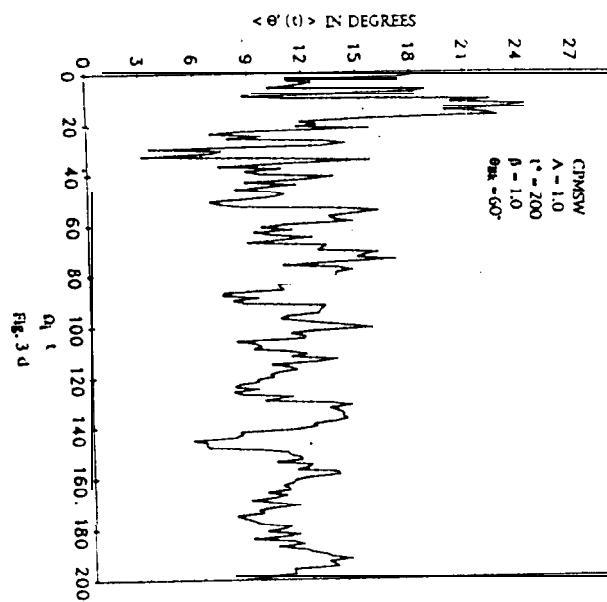


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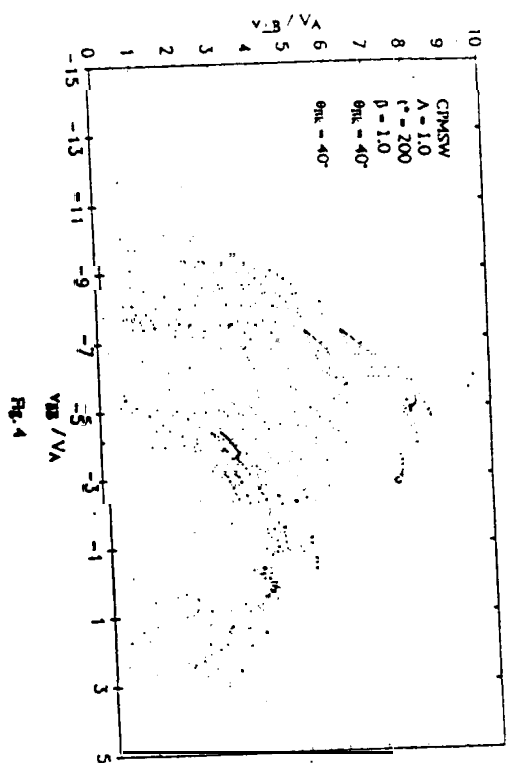
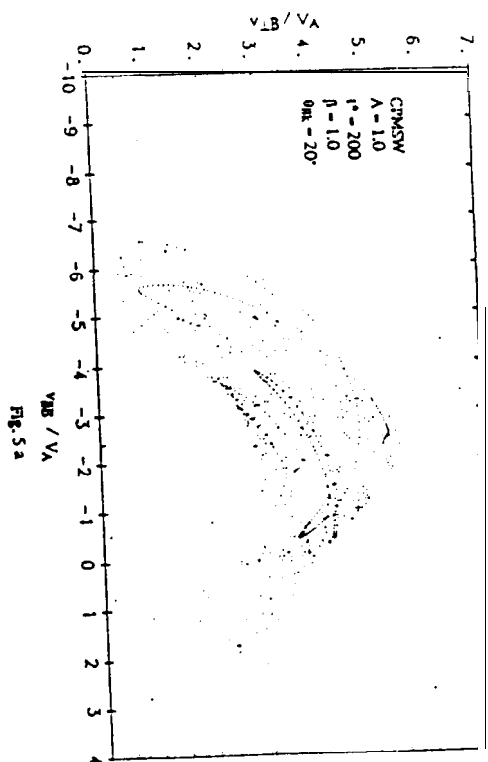


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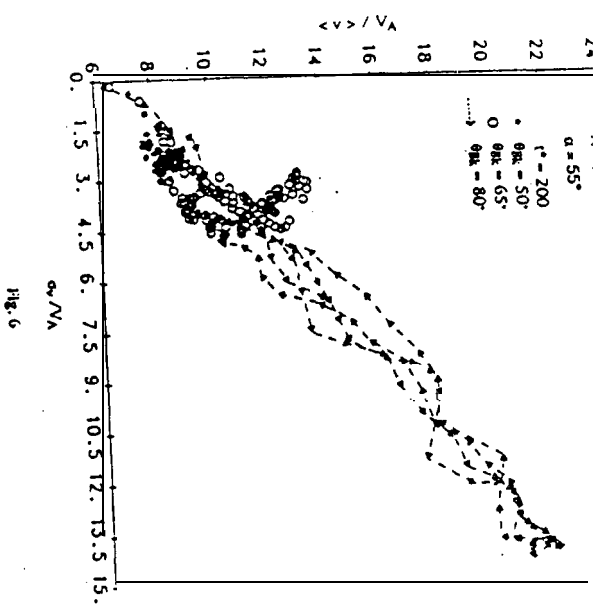


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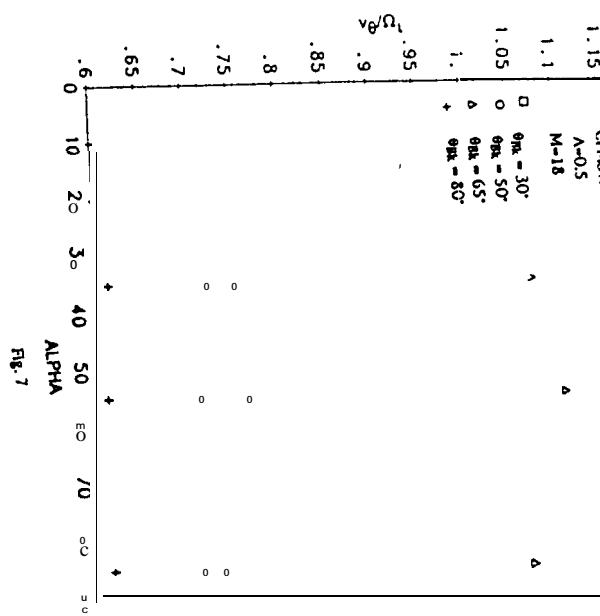


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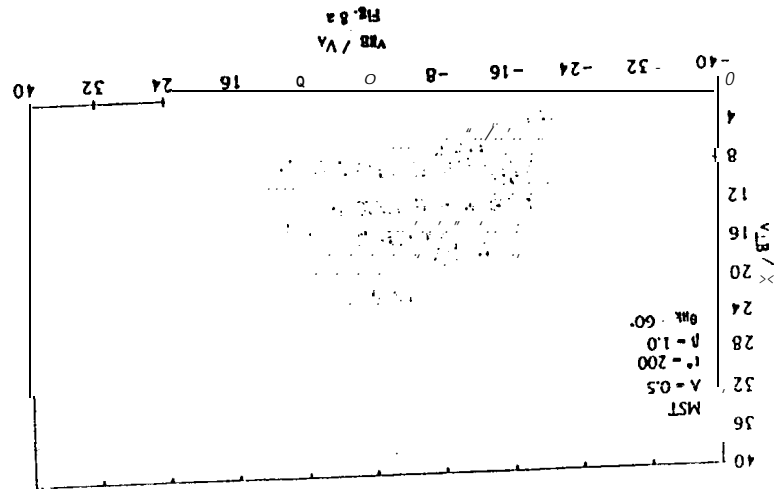
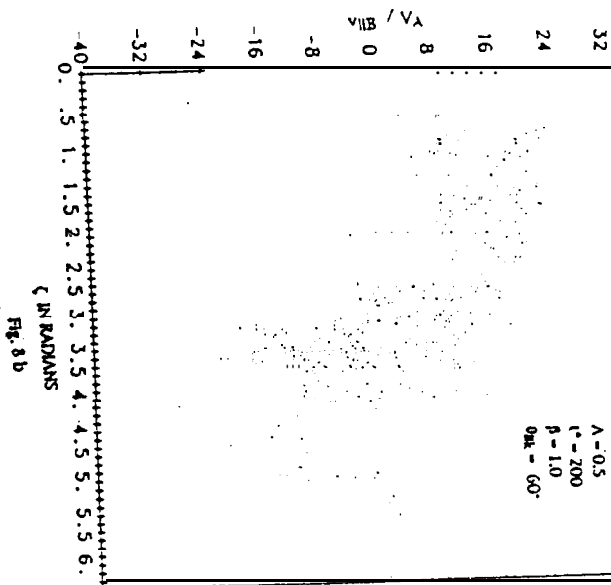


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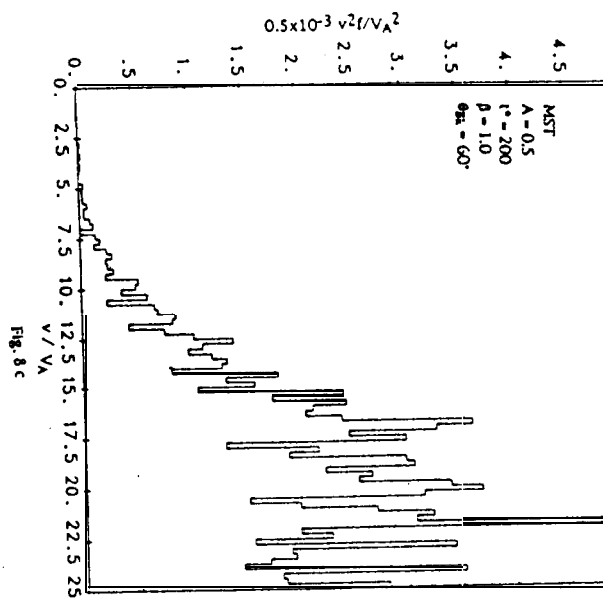
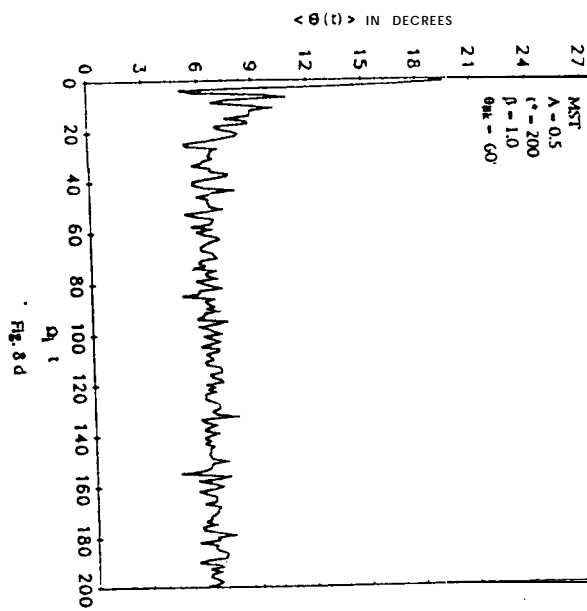


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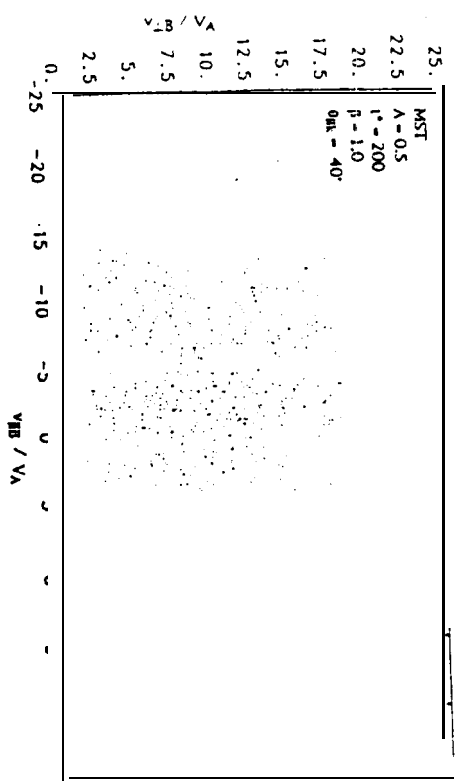
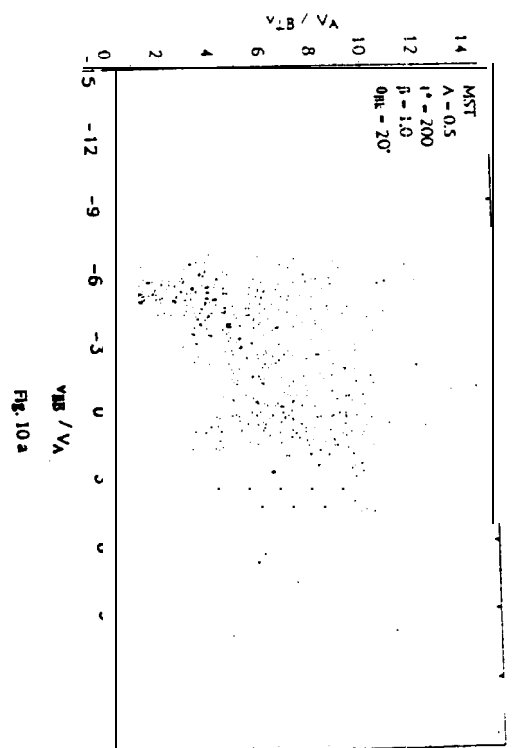


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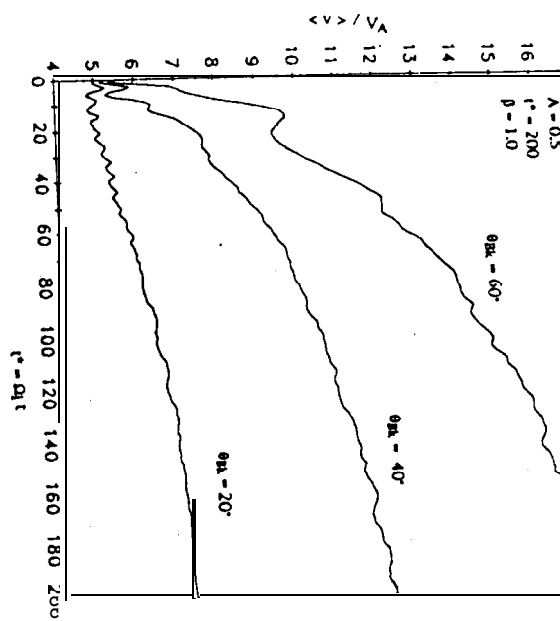
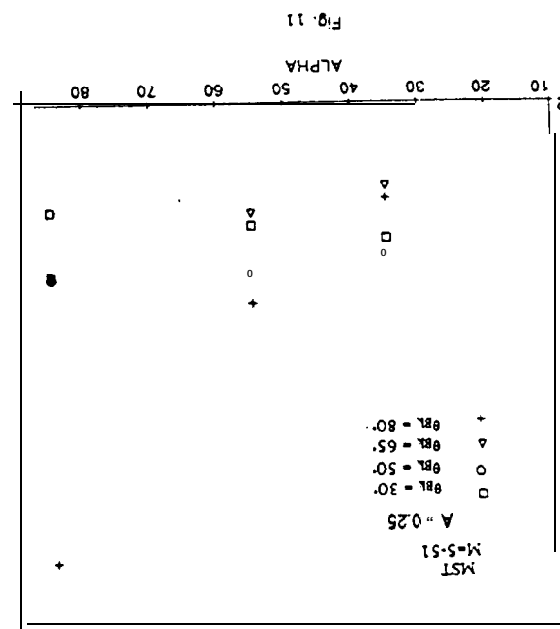


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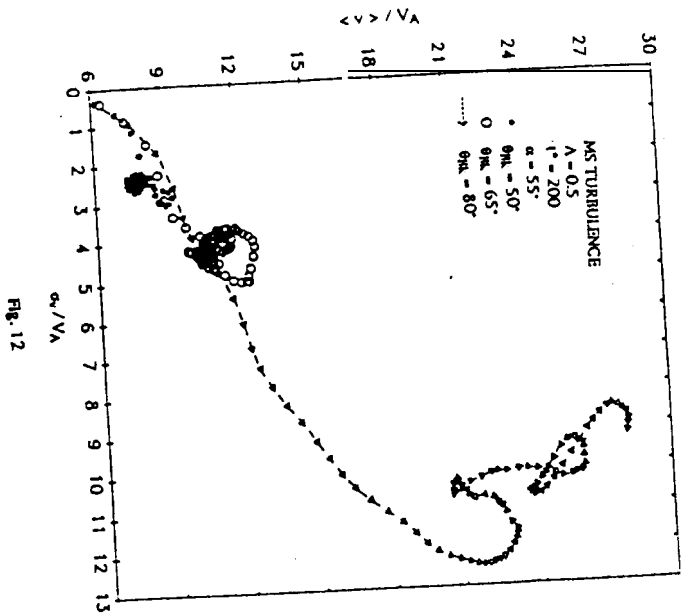


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